



OPAS Release Notes

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Solution	What Changed	Any Known Issues
Temporary shiftline creation for Developmentals: no longer filtered	The 'Assign temporary shift line' dialog will now display shift lines for all roles. A filter that was preventing the user from seeing all roles has been removed, and the list will be sorted by Role, then Crew, then Shift line name.	Some users may still see the filter in the dialog. Clear the filter by right-clicking anywhere in the Create temporary shift line panel, select the "Filter" option, and select 'Remove all column filters.'
Shift with different lengths in the Day of Operations form	<p>On the Day Of Operation form, the way that employees are grouped together in the Scheduled shifts panel has been improved. They are now grouped together such that one entry (line) will exist per duration, per start time, and per flex status. Therefore, if an 0600(8) shift definition exists, and a 10-hour employee is moved to this start time, they would receive their own entry line because it is a new duration for that start time. This would make it such that employees are only grouped together if they are working the same start time, the same end time, and the same flex status.</p> <p>Since we will now be checking the duration of each row's shift definition, an employee will only be marked with the tilde (~) if they are not working coverage for the full duration specified for their shift (meaning they have partial leave, training, OD, etc somewhere on their shift).</p>	N/A
Incorrect pending request indication in Group Schedule	In the Group Schedule, days that contained a pending leave request against a temporary shift line did not always correctly display the yellow coloring that indicated a pending request. This has been corrected, and now all pending requests will display in yellow in the Group Schedule.	N/A
Users inadvertently delete or alter important information	In most forms of OPAS, panels contained a shortcut option for deleting information. A user could simply hit the 'Delete' key on their key board to delete a selected item. This was determined to be the source of accidentally deleting important items, and this shortcut has been removed from all panels in OPAS except for deleting a shift in the Schedule Generation form. Now, if users want to delete an item, they must right-click the item and select the option 'Delete.'	N/A

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Too many reason boxes that require typed out justifications	Several functions in OPAS required the user to type in a reason in a text box when a business rule was violated (for example: canceling OT within 7 days; moving a shift that results in a minimum rest time violation; etc). This was determined to be cumbersome, and users requested that entering a reason be optional. Each reason box in OPAS has now been updated such that the user can hit OK immediately, and the user no longer needs to type in the txt box in order to make the OK button clickable.	The enter key does not close the box; you must click the OK button.
It is difficult to quickly identify who is doing what in terms of activity in Show Full Days shifts	When the option 'Show full day shifts' is turned on in the Group Schedule form, it was difficult to quickly determine which employees are working other duties. Two new icons have been created for the Group schedule form that will display when 'Show full day shifts' is turned on. The first one,  , will be displayed on the employee's day when an employee is working a full day of Other duties. The second icon,  , will be displayed on the employee's day when an employee is working part of their shift as Other duties. The activities 'Briefing' and 'Training' will not count towards whether an employee is working Other duties.	N/A
Add Ability to right click and assign shift in Group Schedule and Schedule Generation	In both the Group schedule and Schedule generation form, a new context menu item has been added called 'Assign shift.' Right-clicking on an employee's shiftless day and selecting this option will open a dialog where the user can specify which shift that employee should work on that day. The user may either choose from the list of already-created shift definitions via the drop down or may click the 'Override' checkbox and specify a new start time. After the user clicks OK, the employee will receive the shift definition that was specified by the user. This will be especially on days where a user has set a day (RDO) to be a work day.	N/A
There is no supply and demand information for shift start times when creating a schedule	The supply and demand information for shift start times has been added to the tooltip that is displayed in the Schedule generation, Group schedule, and Day of operation form. When hovering over the date column heading, the tooltip will display the supply and demand numbers for each shift start time that are shown in the 'Count' column of the Scheduled shifts pane in the Day of operation form. These numbers will only reflect coverage shifts. This tooltip will be visible for both published and unpublished schedules with assigned shifts.	N/A

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Not all national activity and leave types are available	<p>When creating a temporary shift line, not all Activity types were shown in the Activities tab of the Work pattern creation dialog. This is because only CRU-sent activities that contained a Job Series were allowed to be displayed; all other activity types without a Job Series were filtered out. This caused users confusion when they could not find certain activity codes that they knew existed.</p> <p>A new toggle option under the Activities tab of the Work pattern creation dialog has been added. This option is called 'Hide activities types without job series.' By default, this option will not be checked - meaning that all activity types matching that employee's JobSeries will be displayed, including when the JobSeries = 0.</p>	N/A
Too complex to view or edit employee details/information	<p>In order for users to update their own employee information quickly and easily, a new button has been added to the home screen called 'Show employee details.' Pressing this button will open up the logged-in employee's employee details so that the user can update their information (including notification information).</p>	N/A
Default User association	<p>When logging in for the first time, users were associated with a Bedford, MA dataset. This has been fixed so that new users are automatically associated with the dataset where they are scheduled.</p>	N/A
Edit Shift Detail - Change Comments to Shift Comments	<p>In the Edit shift details dialog, the label 'Comments' has been changed to say 'Shift comments.' This is so that users know that any comments created in this dialog for that shift will stay with the shift, not with the employee the shift happened to be assigned to.</p>	N/A
Remove Sadness for <40 hours for a part-time employee	<p>The rule for part time employees (e.g., anybody with an overridden number of working hour per week) has been modified. Now, a precondition / constraint will only fire in the Schedule generation form if the employee is working MORE than the number specified – working less hours than the number specified is fine. This will allow part-time employees with fluctuating work hours across different weeks to be scheduled without seeing a constraint violation (sadness) in the schedule.</p>	N/A
Default information is not adequate to make decisions	<p>Users reported that they would like to see some improvements to the nationally negotiated views, including more consistency among the areas where OPAS</p>	N/A

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	displays request information. The Other duties panel in the Day of Operation form has been updated with the 'Description' column for both the Supervisor's Day of Operation form and the controller's Day of Operation form. The Scheduled shifts panel in the Day of Operation form will now reference the shift name instead of the shift start time. The requests panels in OPAS have been set by default to all display consistent information with one another.	
Cancellation of leave is not flexible enough	When cancelling leave, employees requested the option to have a dialog appear where they could specify which shift they would like to return to. A new dialog has been built that will open when the user selects the option 'Cancellation request' on an approved leave. By default, this dialog will display the core shift or the start time that the employee would have worked. The user has the ability to choose a different shift from either the set of shift definitions in the dropdown or by checking the 'override' checkbox and specifying a new time. When the cancellation request is approved, the employee will return to the shift that they specified in this dialog.	N/A
Moving a 2230 to a 0600 causes constraint on both Day and Week for that employee	A problem was reported where approving a shift change request from a 2230 to a 0600 resulted in the shift's duration to be incorrectly calculated. Consequently, this resulted in a working hours per week violation as well. This has been corrected, and shift changes that span across days (across the midnight barrier) will be calculated correctly.	N/A
Prime Time & Leave Approvals must show the actual shift time	<p>In OPAS, primetime leave used to display a generic start and end time that was calculated based off of the duration the employee was supposed to work that day (for instance, a 9-hour PT leave request would be displayed as 0000-0900). This caused confusion, so the users requested that OPAS instead displayed the start and end time of the shift that an employee was supposed to work that day instead.</p> <p>The Start time and End time columns in the Day of Operation form now reflect the start and end of Primetime requests. This is based off of what shift an employee would have worked had they chosen not to have leave on that day. The start and end will be based off the duration their day calls for, and will follow the following rules:</p> <p>(1) If the employee's workday calls for a specific shift definition, the start and</p>	N/A

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	<p>end time of that shift definition will be displayed.</p> <p>(2) If the employee's workday calls for a specific shift category, the start and time of the core shift for that shift category will be displayed.</p> <p>(3) If the employee's workday calls for multiple shift categories on the same day (ex: E/D, or E/D/M, or D/M) then the start and end time of the core shift of the day category will be displayed.</p>	
More shift lines than employees doesn't work in all cases	An issue was found during bid schedule setup where allowing more shift lines than employees didn't work in all cases. This has been corrected, and it is now possible to enter more shift lines than employees in a bid schedule and click OK without any issues.	N/A
Excused absence codes not sent to CRU	Originally, we were not sending the correct information to CRU for an excused absence type. This has been corrected; the correct CRU code will be sent to CRU.	N/A
Duplicated data in the Daily Schedule (mOPAS)	Duplication issues were reported in mOPAS when viewing the Daily Schedule. This has been resolved; the views on mOPAS were updated to correctly display all start times in the Day of Operation form without any duplicates. The Daily Schedule in mOPAS and the Day of Operation form in OPAS will show the same data in all cases now.	N/A

m.OPAS Release Notes

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Initial/Beta Group Schedule for m.OPAS	m.OPAS users will now have the ability to view Group Schedule.	The amount of information displayed is dependent on the browser or mobile device it is being viewed on.
Multiple day Absence Requests on m.OPAS	When making a request, users can enter in multiple day absence requests.	N/A
m.OPAS Daily Schedules data issue	Duplicative or missing entries are no longer an issue on the Daily Schedules page. Information displayed will mirror exactly what is displayed on the Day of Operations page in OPAS.	N/A
Data field descriptions	On request forms, additional descriptions have been added to the data fields to permit all users to view descriptions regardless of web browser.	N/A